



# Office of the National Ombudsman

## Regulatory Fairness Hearing for Small Business

**Tuesday, September 20, 2005**  
**Charlotte, North Carolina**

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**Small business owners have an opportunity to discuss concerns about federal regulatory compliance and enforcement issues during this event sponsored by the U. S. Small Business Administration.**

**WHO:** SBA's Acting National Ombudsman Peter Sorum and members of SBA's Regulatory Fairness Board for Region IV will meet with community leaders, members of trade and business associations, small business owners and invited members of the congressional delegation to discuss concerns about **federal regulatory compliance and enforcement** in the region.

**WHERE:** **Charlotte Chamber of Commerce**  
330 South Tryon Street  
Charlotte, NC

**WHEN:** **Tuesday, September 20, 2005**  
**Registration: 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.**  
**Hearing: 9 a.m. to noon**

Small business owners may testify during the hearing by registering in advance. Call Mike Ernandes at 704-344-6855 at the SBA North Carolina District Office or send an e-mail to [mike.ernandes@sba.gov](mailto:mike.ernandes@sba.gov). Testimony may be submitted in writing in advance or at the hearing. Anyone desiring confidentiality may request that his or her name not be released and may submit written testimony in lieu of a public appearance at the hearing.

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